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SUBJECT: MEETING WITH DEPUTY FONMIN NAGY - CROWN OF  
ST. STEPHEN

REF: BUDAPEST 2308

1. DURING MY CALL ON SEPTEMBER 14 ON DEPUTY FONMIN NAGY, HE BROUGHT UP ISSUE OF CROWN OF ST. STEPHEN, NOTING I HAD NOT RAISED ISSUE WITH PRESIDENT. HE SAID THAT CROWN'S RETURN OF GREAT IMPORTANCE TO HUNGARIANS AND THAT FONMIN HAD TO KEEP REIN ON LOCAL NEWSMEN WHO WANTED TO GIVE GREATER PUBLICITY TO ISSUE. THEY HAVE TOLD THEM THEY COULD WRITE ON ISSUE BUT NOT TO EXPRESS TOO MANY OPINIONS. NAGY REMARKED THAT RETURN OF CROWN NOT THE MOST PRESSING PROBLEM RIGHT NOW, BUT HE HOPED US WOULD RECOGNIZE ITS IMPORTANCE AS IT HAD NOW GONE ON FOR LONG TIME.

2. I SAID HE MUST BE WELL AWARE OF US GENERAL POLICY ON THIS MATTER, WHICH MUST NOT SEEM TOO BAD FROM HUNGARIAN POINT OF VIEW. I HAD NOT RAISED ISSUE AS I HAD COME WITH NO NEW INSTRUCTIONS FROM WASHINGTON. I TOLD HIM I THOUGHT THEY WERE WISE TO CAUTION PRESS RESTRAINT IN THE MATTER AS SHARP PUBLICITY COULD ACTUALLY MAKE  
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ISSUE MORE DIFFICULT IN US. I EXPRESSED VIEW THAT

BEST COURSE AT THIS POINT WOULD BE TO GO AHEAD TO  
ACHIEVE PROGRESS ON OTHER MATTERS ALREADY ON THE PLATTER.  
NAGY REPLIED THAT THE PROBLEM WITH GENERAL POLICIES WAS  
THAT THEY COULD BE INTERPRETED IN SO MANY WAYS. THERE  
ALSO WAS PROBLEM OF WHO WAS TO DECIDE AND HOW IT WOULD  
BE DECIDED IF CONDITIONS WERE MET. NOTED THAT SUB-  
STANTIAL IMPROVEMENT IN RELATIONS HAD ALREADY TAKEN PLACE  
AS EVIDENCED BY EXCHANGES OF CABINET MEMBERS, A PRACTICE  
NOT NORMAL FOR COUNTRIES WITH POOR RELATIONS.  
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